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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- □ No additional fee is required
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- Additional documents filed herewith: Petition for Extension of Time (one-month)

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CLAIMS	CLAIMS REMAINING		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID	NO. EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	CALCULATIONS
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AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action dated April 5, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 9-11 in favor of the following new claims:

--12. A method of forming a light-weight, fiber reinforced thermoplastic resin product, comprising:

melting and kneading a molding material, which comprises fiber-containing thermoplastic resin pellets (A) having a fiber content of from 5 to 80% by weight, the fibers being oriented parallel to each other and having a length ranging from 2 to 100 mm, or comprises a mixture of the fiber-containing thermoplastic resin pellets (A) and a thermoplastic resin except

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